

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings of claims.

1. (Original) A decorative panel comprising a decorated sheet disposed between first and second fiber reinforced resin layers, said decorated sheet including an image transferred onto at least one of said fiber reinforced resin layers by a substratum that has been eliminated, said first and second fiber reinforced resin layers joining each other to form a consolidated structure without distinct layers.
2. (Original) The decorative panel of claim 1 wherein the substratum is disintegrated and said fiber reinforced resin layers join each other through the disintegrated substratum.
3. (Original) The decorative panel of claim 1 further comprising at least one veil disposed on an outer surface of at least one of said fiber reinforced resin layers.
4. (Original) The decorative panel of claim 1 wherein said fiber reinforced resin layers include a resin chosen from the group consisting of transparent and translucent UV-curable resins.
5. (New) A decorative panel formed by a continuous process for manufacturing decorative panels comprising:
 - forming a first continuous fiber reinforced resin layer;
 - laying a continuous decorated sheet on the first fiber reinforced resin layer, the decorated sheet including a continuous substratum with an image printed thereon;
 - forming a second continuous fiber reinforced resin layer on the continuous decorated sheet;
 - eliminating the substratum so that the first and second fiber reinforced resin layers can join one another to form a continuous consolidated strip of fiber reinforced resin with an image suspended therein;

curing the continuous consolidated strip; and cutting a panel from the continuous consolidated strip.

6. (New) A decorative panel formed by a continuous process for manufacturing decorative panels comprising:

forming a first continuous fiber reinforced resin layer;

laying a continuous decorated sheet on the first fiber reinforced resin layer;

at least partially curing the first fiber reinforced resin layer with the decorated sheet thereon;

forming a second continuous fiber reinforced resin layer on the continuous decorated sheet to create a continuous strip of panels;

curing the second fiber reinforced resin layer; and cutting a panel from the continuous strip of panels.

7. (New) A decorative panel formed by a continuous process for manufacturing decorative panels comprising:

forming a first continuous fiber reinforced resin layer;

laying a continuous decorated sheet on the first fiber reinforced resin layer;

laminating the first fiber reinforced resin layer and the decorated sheet to form a first laminate;

forming a second continuous fiber reinforced resin layer on the first laminate;

laminating the second fiber reinforced resin layer together with the first laminate to form a second laminate;

curing the second laminate; and cutting a panel from the second laminate.